

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS.

MONDAY, the sixth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and nine, being the day appointed by the constitution and form of government for the meeting of the general assembly, appeared in the senate,

Messrs. THOMAS B. DORSEY,

JACOB GIBSON,

STEPHEN LOWREY,

THOMAS M. ELDERRY,

JOHN PARTRIDGE,

ZADOK PURNELL,

WILLIAM WHITELY, and

THOMAS WILLIAMS.

A sufficient number of members to compose a senate being convened, they severally qualified in the presence of each other before John Sprigg Belt, one of the justices of the peace for Anne-Arundel county, agreeably to the constitution and form of government.

The senate then proceeded to the election of a president, and the honourable Stephen Lowrey, Esquire, was unanimously elected.

Mr. Thomas Rogers was appointed clerk, Mr. James Harwood assistant clerk, and Mr. John S. Skinner committee clerk, who severally qualified as such.

Mr. Edward P. Roberts was appointed messenger, and Mr. Edward Holland door-keeper, who severally qualified as such.

Mr. Richard Pindell appeared in the senate, and after qualifying agreeably to the constitution and form of government, took his seat.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. Partridge, Mr. Thomas B. Dorsey and Mr. Williams, be a committee to report rules and regulations to be observed in the senate.

The following message was read, agreed to, and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

By the S E N A T E, November 6, 1809.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

THE Senate have formed a quorum, and are ready to proceed with the business of the session.

By order,

T. ROGERS, clk.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the following message:

By the H O U S E of D E L E G A T E S, November 6, 1809.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

YOUR message of this morning we have received; a quorum of the house of delegates being also assembled, we are ready to proceed to business. The time of sitting appointed by us is, from nine o'clock in the morning till three o'clock in the afternoon.

By order,

J. BREWER, clk.

Which was read.

The senate adjourns until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

T U E S D A Y, November 7, 1809.

THE senate met: Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. David Shriver appeared in the senate, and after taking the oaths required by the constitution and form of government, and subscribing a declaration of his belief in the Christian religion, and taking the oath for the support of the government of the United States, took his seat.

Mr. Partridge, from the committee appointed to report rules and regulations to be observed in the senate, delivers the following report:

THE committee appointed to prepare rules and regulations for the government of the senate, beg leave to submit the following report, viz.

1st. The president shall take the chair at the hour of meeting.

2d. Every member shall take his seat when the president takes the chair, and remain uncovered until the senate rises.

3d. The names of the senators shall be called in alphabetical order, and the absent members, if any, sent for.

4th. The president having taken the chair, a quorum being present, the journal of the preceding day shall be read, that any mistake that shall have been made in the entries may be corrected.

5th. Every member who shall deliver his opinion, or speak in any debate, shall stand up in his place, and address himself to the president.

6th. No member, at the time of his speaking, shall name any other by his proper name, but shall use some distinction.

7th. No member shall speak more than twice to the same question without leave of the senate, nor more than until every member choosing to speak may have spoken.